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For: Biopsy-Needle Having Rotating Core For Shearing Tissue

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Dear Sir:

Enclosed please find the following:

- 1. Notice To File Missing Parts of Nonprovisional Application Filed under 37 C.F.R. 1.53(b) (1 page);
- 2. Inventors' executed Combined Declaration and Power of Attorney (2 pages);
- 3. Check No. 1777 for \$65.00, payable to Assistant Commissioner for Patents to cover the late oath or declaration surcharge as set forth in 37 C.F.R. 1.16(e) for a small entity in compliance with 37 C.F.R. 1.27 and
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## FILED UNDER 37 CFR 1.53(b)

## Filing Date Granted

An application number and filing date have been accorded to this application. The item(s) indicated below, however, are missing. Applicant is given **TWO MONTHS** from the date of this Notice within which to file all required items and pay any fees required below to avoid abandonment. Extensions of time may be obtained by filing a petition accompanied by the extension fee under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

- The oath or declaration is unsigned.
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